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## EX-CONGRESSMAN WELBORN DEAD

Paralysis Took Away Noted  
Lawyer Sunday  
Afternoon.

## HELD SEVERAL OFFICES

Was One of the Most Successful Legal  
Practitioners in Western  
Missouri.

DIED.—In Lexington, Mo., Sunday afternoon, October 27, at 2:45 o'clock, after a short illness, Mr. John Welborn, aged 51 years, 11 months and 7 days.

Mr. Welborn's illness was of short duration, less than three weeks, the immediate cause of his death being from a paralytic stroke. Seldom has our community been more profoundly moved than when his passing away became known Sunday afternoon, coming with a great shock and surprise to many friends who were not aware of his illness.

John Welborn was born near Aullville, Lafayette county, Mo., November 20, 1855 and was the son of David M. Welborn, and lived all his life in this county. He was educated in the public schools of this county and at the Warrensburg State Normal, and afterwards taught school in this county. He read law with John Cockrell at Warrensburg, Missouri, was admitted to the bar and began the practice of his profession at Lexington, Missouri. On February 13, 1879 he was married to Miss Georgia A. Littlejohn, who is left to mourn the loss of a kind, affectionate and indulgent husband. At the time of his death he was one of the leading and most successful attorneys in Missouri, his greatest success being in the practice of criminal law, enjoying the distinction of never having lost a case where the penalty was death. He held many positions of trust and honor. Among them we mention:—Elected recorder of Lexington in 1883, 1884 and 1886, the last time without opposition; elected mayor of Lexington in 1888; member of the Board of Regents of the Warrensburg State Normal School, by appointment of Gov. Stephens; in 1904 was elected Member of Congress from this, Seventh, district; and in 1906 was the republican nominee for re-election, but was defeated by Hon. C. W. Hanlin, present incumbent. In his service he was faithful, industrious, diligent, his one aim being to discharge his duty honestly and impartially to friend and foe.

John Welborn was a lawyer of ability, a splendid citizen, a good neighbor, and, above all, a tender, devoted husband. He was devoid of all selfishness, and the highest measure of his ambition seemed gratified when in the performance of duty and friendship. Uniting a gentleness and amiability of character rarely seen in a man, it is but natural he should win and retain a host of admiring friends.

There was no more popular man in this community than was Mr. Welborn. Generous to a fault, genial and cheery in disposition, a man who knew the world and enjoyed it, one who was ever ready to extend a helping hand when needed, what wonder that his friends were legion and that his passing away should be felt as almost a personal loss? He was ever ready to make any sacrifice in friendship's cause, and this had given him more than an ordinary influence in this community. His frankness of manner was captivating and his heart overflowed with the milk of human kindness, the poor never having a friend whose heart beat for them with stronger sympathy than his. He had his faults, as who has not, but the world held no kinder gentleman than John Welborn, and he will be greatly missed in this, his home.

Admirable as he was in the walks of life, whether as son, brother or friend, it was in the sacred precincts of home that the beauty of his character stood forth brightest. His constant devotion and thought was and up in his invalid companion, erasing her, if possible, more on account of her dependence and helplessness than were she strong and in the enjoyment of health. Nothing gave him more pleasure than to minister to her comforts. This, indeed,

is a beautiful tribute.

His funeral took place Tuesday morning from the family residence, the immense throng present testifying to the love and respect in which he was held by this community. The floral tributes were many and unusually beautiful, as though friends sought by these fragrant emblems to rob death of its sting. Rev. R. B. Briney paid a touching tribute to his worth, as well as to his more endearing traits as son, brother, friend and husband, after which he was laid away in Macpelah.

The sincerest sympathy of this community is extended to his grief-stricken companion, sisters and brother, with the hope that a kind and loving Father may, pour the healing balm of His comfort into their stricken hearts.

## Local Banks Fall Into Line.

The four banks of Lexington Thursday adopted the limited cash payment rule of their correspondents banks of St. Louis and Kansas City. This, the bankers say, will serve to protect the public interest by preventing the drawing away of cash to the city banks from which at present under clearing house rules it cannot be gotten back. There will be no interruption of business, they say, only a little change in method, requiring a larger use of checks and drafts. Without exception the local banks report that they have now more than their usual amount of cash and that they are abundantly able to take care of local wants. But they are determined not to give up more cash than necessary. It goes into clearing or find its way into city channels from which it cannot under existing rules be shipped back. The limit fixed for each depositor is \$25 per week in cash of which not more than \$10 will be paid on a single check or on one day. Business men may issue checks to any amount as usual in the regular course of business. They can buy and sell as largely as ever and final payment be made just as ordinarily. It is only in the matter of paying cash over the counters that the banks have taken or will take action. It is thought that this will be necessary for only a few days.

The merchants seem to have been expecting this action and are perfectly satisfied with it. There was absolutely no excitement on the street the morning when the action of the banks became known.

## Wedding Announcement.

John K. Taubman and Miss Mary Kirtley Blackwell will be married Thursday afternoon, November 7th, at the home of the bride's parents on College place. The wedding will be exceedingly quiet, only the immediate families of the contracting parties being present. Rev. R. B. Briney will perform the ceremony.

This wedding will cause no surprise but a great deal of interest among the many friends of Mr. Taubman and Miss Blackwell, who are two of the most popular young people in the city. Mr. Taubman is the youngest son of John Taubman and has been reared in this city, receiving his education at the public schools. He is now head bookkeeper in the Commercial bank. Miss Blackwell is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Blackwell and was also reared in Lexington, receiving her education at Central college. She is a most attractive and estimable young lady in every particular.

The prospective bride and groom are ideally suited to each other. They have the same tastes, the same sense of humor and the same view of life in general. Undoubtedly they will be happy and their multitudinous friends will be glad to see them so.

## Death of Fritz Luehrman.

Fritz Luehrman died Wednesday evening at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Luehrman, on 24th street at six o'clock. Death was not unexpected. For about two years he had been troubled with rheumatism which affected his heart. For a time it seemed that he had recovered, but toward the end of the summer he began to fall rapidly and continually got worse.

Fritz Luehrman belonged to one of the most prominent and largest German families in the county, and was respected and esteemed by all who knew him. He was a faithful and conscientious member of the Evangelical church of this city. He was about 29 years old and unmarried.

Jack Bradley of the Prairie church neighborhood spent Thursday here.

D. Russell returned Thursday evening from a business trip to Kansas City.

## NOT A LARGE MEETING

Goods Roads Gathering at Higginsville Brought Out Few Farmers.

Entirely too many farmers were not sufficiently interested or too busy to attend the Good Roads Meeting at Higginsville Wednesday.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Judge P. W. Osborne. After the reading of the minutes by the secretary, E. N. Hopkins, and the disposition of the routine business, the condition of the county roads was discussed and the new road law, which goes into effect about Feb. 1, was talked about. No one seemed to understand fully the meaning or scope of this law and it was decided to have another meeting in Higginsville on Nov. 23, at which time the measure will be discussed and explained fully.

It is hoped that this meeting will be largely attended, as Lafayette county is shockingly deficient in the matter of respectable thoroughfares.

## Resolutions.

The following resolutions were adopted unanimously by the First Baptist Church of Lexington, Mo., on October 27, 1907:

Be It Resolved—That the hearty gratitude of this church is extended to the citizens of our city for the cheerfulness and heartiness with which, regardless of creed or condition and even without creed, they opened to us their homes and made possible the entertainment of our General Association. We are likewise grateful to the institutions of our city, the Mayor and officers, the newspapers, the "Advertiser," "Intelligencer" and "News," the Elks Club, Mr. Gustav Haerle, the owner of the Opera House, the Lafayette Telephone Co. and our sister churches for the free offer and use of their facilities which added so much to the comfort of our guests and the success of our undertaking.

To all these we repeat the words of our Savior when speaking of such ministrations to his servants:—

"He that receiveth you receiveth me, and he that receiveth me receiveth him that sent me." Luke x:40, and may the God whom you have thus received and served be with you always.

Resolved that these resolutions be published in the papers of this city.

## Mrs. Laura Thornton Married.

Word was received here Tuesday that Mrs. Laura Thornton, formerly of this place, was married Monday in St. Louis to a Mr. Earl of Centralia. No details were obtainable.

Mrs. Thornton was well known here, where she lived for a number of years, and her marriage caused much surprise among her large circle of friends, who wish her much happiness.

Mrs. R. L. Hughes of Higginsville visited her parents here Monday.

Dr. N. B. Payne spent Monday in Kansas City on business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sydnor went to Kansas City Thursday to spend the day.

Miss Margaret Aull went to Kansas City Wednesday evening for a short stay.

Mrs. C. E. Wilcoxon returned Monday evening from a short stay in Kansas City.

Editor Aldar of the Oak Grove Banner came over Monday to see the football game.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Voigt returned to their home in Houstonia Monday evening after a visit with relatives in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stewart returned Wednesday evening from an extended trip to Louisville and Lexington, Ky.

Miss Eva Bolon returned to her home in Kansas City Wednesday evening after a visit with the family of T. T. Strancke.

Mrs. A. H. Stewart, Mrs. Leslie Mason and Miss Mattie Green of Higginsville, spent Thursday in Lexington.

Misses Virgie and Camie Shouse, who have been visiting in Kansas City for the past few days, returned home Monday evening.

Walter B. Waddell went to Sedalia Monday evening to attend a meeting of the Missouri Bankers' Association.

J. H. Lehman, who has been spending a few days with the family of his father-in-law, Judge J. E. Burdon, left Thursday for a short hunting trip.

## TWO MORE GAMES

Slater High School Here Today and Central Business College Monday.

Lovers of the greatest college sport are able to see all they want of the article about now. Today the Slater High School team will play the Wentworth second team on the academy campus. Daniel Ruebel Jr. is coaching the Slater aggregation and playing on it, so that it is safe to say that the visitors will be pretty strong. The Wentworth scrubs are by no means slouches and under the able generalship of Skinny Campbell play fast and hard ball.

Monday the Central Business College of Sedalia will have a round with the first team. The Business college always brings a bunch of veterans and, though it generally gets the small end of the score, puts up a pretty good fight.

## Dover Bank Sound.

There was a rumor generally accepted around Lexington Wednesday to the effect that the State Bank of Dover had gone to the wall. This was not true, however. The bank had merely got its supply of cash diminished to \$302.84, and in consequence had to stop giving out money. President Corbin went to Kansas City Wednesday and made arrangements so that the bank could open as usual Thursday morning.

"The bank examiner was here yesterday," said Cashier O. G. Congdon Thursday, "and pronounced the affairs of the institution in first class shape. Today we are handling our business in the customary manner."

The Dover bank is a young institution, but it is backed by the best people of Dover and by conservative and business-like methods is steadily growing.

## "Ma's New Husband."

To know when, and when not, to laugh has made many a man's and many a woman's fortune. One of the rare exceptions, which proves the truth of this, is "Ma's New Husband." This screaming musical farce does not give you time to exercise discretion. It forces you to laugh, whether you like to or not, and to laugh all the time. In fact it is a despoitory for unlimited laugh on which you draw constantly for two hours and thirty minutes. See it at the New Grand Saturday evening. Seats on sale at Crenshaw & Young's.

## Little Marie Kitchen Dead.

Marie, the nine year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Kitchen, died at her home Thursday at 12:30. About two weeks ago she was taken ill with tonsillitis and later with measles. Just as she was thought to be getting well membranous croup set in and this caused her death.

The funeral services conducted by Dr. C. E. Patillo were held at the house Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

## Death of H. A. Blanchard.

Died at his home in Waverly, Mo., Saturday Oct. 26, 1907, H. A. Blanchard, aged nearly 97 years. Mr. Blanchard had been in poor health for nearly six months, and for the past four weeks had been very ill. The end had been expected for some time and came as a relief to great suffering borne with Christian patience.

Hiram Abiff Blanchard was born in Portsmouth, England, Feb. 8, 1811, and came with his parents to America in the fall of 1817, settling in Winchester, Frederick county, Virginia. He was twice married; the first time, March 7, 1832, to Miss Amanda Jane Stephens of New Town, Va. Of this union thirteen children were born, eight of whom are living. His first wife died Dec. 1, 1881. He was again married Oct. 3, 1883 to Miss Sophia Doak, of Marshall, Mo., who survives him. No children were born to this union.

In all he has fifty-two grand-children and twenty-six great-grand-children. Six grandsons were his pall bearers.

He came to Lafayette county in February, 1858, and has resided here ever since, being one of the oldest citizens in this county.

He united with the Methodist church in 1829 in Virginia and has been singularly devoted to his church. He made a hard fight to regain health, but was always patient, and when he knew that he had to go he did not complain. The Bible was his companion—he kept the commandments and had the consolation of knowing

that he was a child of God. Mr. Blanchard had a host of friends who will miss him from the church and town, but in his godly influence will continue to live.

"When the sunset light is dying,  
And the long, black shadows fall,  
And the silence of the twilight  
Softly steals over all.

"His example shineth ever  
Far beyond our earthly ken,  
Showing paths of peace and goodness  
Endless in the sight of men."

The funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the Methodist church, conducted by Rev. W. B. Cobb, of Corder. The remains were tenderly laid away beneath a profusion of fragrant flowers and before an unusually large crowd showing the high regard in which he was held.

## Hallowe'en.

The observance of Hallowe'en in Lexington this year was almost universal. Scarcely anyone was there who did not in some way do something to commemorate the occasion. The sale of masks and false faces was great and before supper time the first of the disguised urchins appeared on the street. By seven o'clock Main street was thronged with people in various makeups and diverse means of making noise. The din increased steadily until about half past eight when a band of several pieces made its appearance. About half past nine the crowd began to disperse and soon everything was quiet.

Happily the greater part of the activities of the roysterers were confined to the business portion of town. The instances of hoodlumism and destruction of property were very few. Still everybody who wanted to enjoyed himself.

## Hobson's Lecture.

The Ladies of the Lecture are very much disappointed over the inability of Captain Hobson to reach here Thursday night. They are already making arrangements to secure another date for Capt. Hobson, or another prominent man to take his place. Announcement as soon as possible. Persons holding single tickets for this lecture who may, for any reason desire to have their money refunded, can call at Crenshaw & Young's drug store with their tickets and receive the money paid.

MRS. H. L. McDONALD

MRS. G. W. HYDE

For Committee.

## Elks' Hop.

The Elks Thursday evening gave their second annual Hallowe'en hop with twenty-five couples participating and as many more looking on. Of course the affair was a masquerade and the makeups were unusually good.

There were four pumpkin heads in the hall—that is, real ones—and appropriate ginger bread, cider and chestnuts were served. Smith's orchestra played.

## Notice to Tax Payers.

I beg to say merchants tax is now due and payable. I do not intend to indulge delay in payment of this tax as has heretofore been the case. After January 1st, 1908 interest at 1 per cent a month will be collected on all taxes not paid by that date.

Respt.

GEO. B. GORDON,

Collector.

## Social at Dover.

Sack social and bazaar. Benefit Ladies' Aid First Baptist Church, Dover, Seven to eleven p. m. November 9th. Dainty refreshments served. Come and bring all your friends. 11-2w12.

## Farm Hand Wanted.

To do general farm work. Steady job, good wages. Apply to Clark J. Davis, R. F. D. No. 1, Box 15.

A marriage license was issued Wednesday to:

Wm. J. Freckling, . . . . . Concordia.

Magdalena Kammeyer, . . . . . Concordia.

Wm. Nicholson returned to Kansas City Thursday morning.

Mrs. J. R. Moorehead, who was called to Fulton by the illness of her mother, Mrs. I. W. Bouliware, returned home Thursday evening.

Mrs. Howard Henry returned to her home in Chilhowee Tuesday after an extended visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Andreen.

Miss Jennie Brightwell returned Monday evening from Kansas City where she has been spending a few days with friends.

## WENTWORTH WON FROM NORMALITES

Upset All Calculations and  
Defeated the Teachers  
15 to 0.

## LONG RUN BY OWENS

Secured the Ball on a Fumble A  
Wentworth's Goal Line and Ran  
Full Length of Field.

Dope went wrong Monday to the delight of the local fans and the Wentworth eleven handed a large, luscious lemon to the lads from Warrensburg in the shape of a 15 to 0 score. It was a surprise to everyone concerned, even though there are those who claim to have thought all along that the cadets would win.

The largest crowd of the season—about 800—turned out to see the contest. There were people from Richmond, Warrensburg, Oak Grove, Higginsville and Concordia on the grounds. The question was not who would win but how large the score would be. The Normalites had run up a score of 86 to 0 against Kemper, a school of Wentworth's class, and had read that Odessa had defeated the cadets, whereas the team that played at Odessa was the second team and that was not defeated. Warrensburg had slightly the lighter team, but the men were older and more experienced than the soldiers. They expected to win, but said they would let down Wentworth with something like a 12 to 0 score.

When it was over, people could scarcely realize what had happened. Wentworth had outplayed the Normalites in every department. The weak defense of the cadets had ceased to exist and time after time the teachers had been thrown back. Fumbling, the old spectre, had vanished. The team that faced Warrensburg Monday was altogether different from that which the K. U. seconds defeated two weeks before.

For Wentworth every man on the team played well. There were no weak spots. Particular credit is due to Ahrens, who broke up almost every play of the teachers before it was started. Littlefield and Anderson, too, assisted materially in tearing up the Normal line. Roberts, the little quarter, made several brilliant runs and, although he failed to call for several effective plays which his team had worked up, ran the team in better shape than ever before. Cook was as ever steady and at times spectacular in his work. At one time he carried a husky Normalite on his back for ten yards. His long run in the first half was really the turning point of the game. Moore played the kind of football that counts, though he made no sensational runs. Ten of Wentworth's points are credited to him. Owens pulled off the greatest play of the day in his run across the field. It was just at the proper psychological moment. The din that it caused was tremendous and the hats in the air looked like a flock of blackbirds. Owens had a sprained ankle and is not a fast runner. Yet he distanced Miller who is reputed to be one of the best sprinters in the state.

Of the Warrensburg team Miller was the star with Kelley a close second. Harrison and Bacon, the two halves, made some good gains, but their interference was broken up too quickly to let them get away often.

Promptly at 3 o'clock Warrensburg kicked off making a touchback. Wentworth punted to the center of the field, and the Normalites, by rapid running and plunging, soon had the ball on Wentworth's eight-yard line. Here the cadets held for two downs and the visitors essayed a drop. The ball went wide, however, and the soldiers again punted from the twenty-five-yard line. Warrensburg brought the ball back to the thirty-five-yard line and there were held for downs. Cook, the Wentworth right half, made a pretty forty-five-yard run. Warrensburg held for three downs and punted to the center of the field. Barnes secured the ball and carried it to the Cadets, twenty-five yard line. Time was then called.

Wentworth scored soon in the second half. Moore kicked to Bacon,

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